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Fourth Division
Tuesday, May 1st, 1979.
Kick-off 7-15 p.m.

No. 1182

versus

WIGAN A.F.C.

Official Programme 10p.

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COLUMN ONE

The home victory over Hartlepool took United safely away from the re-election zone and into a mid-table position. Despite creating many fine chances, the goals would not go in for 70 minutes the only goal was Bob Oates first half deflected shot. Then as often happens in football the opposing side scored an equaliser with Keith Houchen the 'Pool hero. Hartlepool had improved during the second half and it seemed that United were about to lose more home points. Steve Earl had different ideas however and came along with that double blast in the last seven minutes to score his first "brace" for the side. In doing so Steve became only the second United player to score more than once in a game this season. Kevin Kilmore in the other and prior to Saturday's game with Torquay had scored twice on five separate occasions. Another interesting point about the 3-1 victory is that it was the first time in 21 games United had managed to score more than twice. For the record Uniteds other "high scores" have been four against Hereford and three against Bradford City and Huddersfield Town. In contrast with our poor goalscoring record, there have been ten games when our opponents have put three or more goals in the United net. These notes had to be written before the Torquay game but let us hope United continued in goalscoring form and returned two more points into the Show Ground locker.

We welcome Wigan Athletic for their first ever league visit to Scunthorpe, having already defeated the Iron 1-0 at Springfield Park earlier in the season. They have had a fine first season in the Football League and but for a disastrous start would have been heading for promotion at the first attempt. There has been a tremendous battle going on at the top for several weeks but following last weeks games at Grimsby, Reading, Barnsley and Wimbledon look set for Division Three. It seems that Wigan (along with Aldershot) are just going to miss in the promotion stakes but they can be well satisfied with their first season. With two more home games remaining United have the chance to beat two more sides in the top six and maintain their good record against the divisions pace-makers. It is Wimbledon who provide the opposition next Tuesday evening in United's last home game of the season. The two remaining away game are at Crewe on Saturday and Halifax on Friday, May 18th.



**up the
"IRON"**

Todays Visitors

Wigan Athletic A.F.C.

JOHN BROWN

Age 30. Ex-Preston and Stockport goalkeeper, now in his third season with Wigan.

KEVIN SMART

Age 19. Signed in close season on a free transfer from Plymouth Argyle. Made 9 Second Division appearances and 33 Third Division appearances with West Country side.

JOE HINNIGAN

Age 21. Signed for a four figure fee from South Liverpool. Now in his fourth season at Springfield Park.

JEFF WRIGHT

Age 24. Signed from Netherfield four seasons ago. Excellent play-maker and also gets a fair quota of goals. Born Alston.

NOEL WARD

Age 24. Signed from Aberdeen two seasons ago. Played for Portadown in Northern Ireland before being transferred to Aberdeen. Born Straban, in Northern Ireland.

IAN GILLIBRAND

Age 29. Club skipper. Has been with the Club 10 seasons and has over 600 appearances under his belt. Signed originally from Arsenal.

FRANK CORRIGAN

Age 24. Signed from Northwich Victoria last season and has become a warm favourite at Springfield Park. Fine ball player.

TOMMY GORE

Age 25. Signed from Tranmere Rovers, now in his fifth season. Was player of the year 1977-78. Extremely powerful shot.

PETER HOUGHTON

Age 23. Signed last season and scored 10 goals in 17 games. Previously with South Liverpool in the Premier League. Very powerful Centre Forward

JOHN WILKIE

Age 28. Leading scorer for the last two seasons. Very quick. Signed for a four figure fee from Elgin City in the Highland League.

IAN PURDIE

Age 25. Signed in the close season from Motherwell. Previously with Aberdeen and Dundee. Scottish Under 23 International.

ALAN CROMPTON

Age 20. Ex-Blackburn and Sunderland Inside Forward. Signed in the close season.

NEIL DAVIDS

Age 22. Ex-Leeds and Norwich Centre Half. Signed in the close season from Swansea City. Ex-England Youth International.

NORTH MIDLANDS LEAGUE

AUGUST.

16 BRADFORD CITY (Cup) H 2—2
30 Bradford City (Cup) A 0—5

SEPTEMBER.

5 HULL CITY H 0—5
11 LINCOLN CITY H 1—0
19 MANSFIELD TOWN H 1—2
26 Middlesbrough A 2—3

OCTOBER.

3 NOTTS COUNTY H 0—1
10 Rotherham United A 2—1
17 CHESTERFIELD H 0—2
24 YORK CITY H 0—0

NOVEMBER.

1 Barnsley A 2—1
13 Sunderland A 1—1
21 DARLINGTON H 0—2
28 DONCASTER R. H 3—0

DECEMBER.

5 GRIMSBY T. H 1—2
12 Halifax Town A 4—3

JANUARY 1979.

9 Lincoln City (A) 1—4
16 Mansfield Town (A) 2—0

FEBRUARY.

6 ROTHERHAM UNITED (H) 0—2
27 BARNSELY (H) 2—1

MARCH.

6 BRADFORD CITY (H) 0—0
13 SUNDERLAND (H) 1—2
15 HALIFAX (H) 3—0
22 Notts County (A) 1—0
27 Doncaster Rovers (A) 0—2

APRIL.

10 Hull City (A) 0—2
23 Grimsby Town (A) 1—4
30 Chesterfield Away

MAY

2 Bradford City Away
8 York City Away

To be arranged :—
Darlington (away)
Middlesbrough (home)

Player of the Season

Tonight's game sees the presentation of Uniteds Player of the Year award "The Ernie Storey Memorial Trophy". At the time of going to print votes were still coming in and the result was expected to be a close thing. Ernie Storey served Scunthorpe United for many years on the administrative side and the trophy was donated by his family. Congratulations to whoever wins the trophy this season.

Incidentally previous winners of the award have been :—

1974-75 Angus Davidson

1975-76 Rick Green

1976-77 Clive Wigginton

1977-78 Mike Czuczman

1978-79 ?



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FOURTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PL.
Grimsby	43	26	8	9	77	42	60
Reading	43	23	13	7	71	35	59
Barnsley	39	21	11	7	67	35	53
Wimbledon	39	22	9	8	70	40	53
Aldershot	43	19	15	9	60	45	53
Wigan	42	20	11	11	58	43	51
Portsmouth	41	19	11	11	60	42	49
Newport	43	19	9	15	61	53	47
Torquay	42	18	6	18	54	61	42
Hereford	41	15	11	15	51	48	41
Huddersfield	41	15	10	16	50	49	40
Stockport	42	14	11	17	58	56	39
York City	39	14	11	14	41	48	39
Port Vale	41	13	12	16	54	61	38
UNITED	41	14	10	17	45	55	38
Bournemouth	43	13	11	19	44	43	37
Bradford	40	15	7	18	52	62	37
Northampton	41	14	8	19	61	68	36
Hartlepool	39	8	18	13	44	58	34
Doncaster	43	12	10	21	45	68	34
Darlington	39	10	11	18	43	59	31
Rochdale	40	10	9	21	34	60	29
Crewe	42	6	14	22	42	79	26
Halifax	39	6	8	25	29	61	20

(up to and including April 25th)

UNITED PLAYING STAFF 1978 - 1979.

Player	App.	Goals	Player	App.	Goals
Steve DEERE (PT)	334	28	Steve DAVY	31	0
Nolan KEELEY	264	45	Steve EARL	26	7
Stuart PILLING	191	18	Geoff COUCH (PT)	15	2
Bob OATES	179	11	Dave GIBSON	14	0
John PEACOCK	157	1	David HALL	8	0
Mike CZUCZMAN	126	1	Brian BLOOMER	3	1
Graeme CRAWFORD	96	0	Jimmy GORDON		
Kevin KILMORE	90	27	Ian WILKINSON		
Vince GRIMES	62	6	Duncan MEADOWS *		
Jon O'DONNELL	61	1	Barry NOBLE *		
Eamon KAVANAGH	49	2			

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FOURTH DIVISION

AUGUST.

		Score	Gate	Goalscorers
12 NOTTS COUNTY (FLC1)	Home	0-1	2,389	
15 Notts County (FLC1)	Away	0-3	5,064	
19 Port Vale	Away	2-2	3,015	Wigg, Pilling
22 A.F.C. BOURNEMOUTH	Home	1-0	2,433	Pilling
25 HUDDERSFIELD TOWN	Home	3-1	3,029	Pilling, Grimes, Kilmore

SEPTEMBER.

1 Doncaster Rovers	Away	0-0	4,667	
9 BARNSELEY	Home	0-1	7,612	
12 Portsmouth	Away	0-0	10,965	
15 Northampton Town	Away	0-1	3,859	
23 STOCKPORT COUNTY	Home	1-0	2,961	Wigg
26 ALDERSHOT	Home	2-0	2,566	Kilmore 2
30 Wigan Athletic	Away	0-1	4,459	

OCTOBER.

7 NEWPORT COUNTY	Home	2-3	2,453	Deere, Oates
14 Wimbledon	Away	1-3	3,808	Wigg
17 Hartlepool United	Away	1-1	2,980	Kilmore
21 BRADFORD CITY	Home	3-2	2,778	Kilmore 2(1 pen)Couch
28 York City	Away	0-1	1,970	

NOVEMBER.

4 READING	Home	0-3	2,424	
11 DONCASTER ROVERS	Home	0-0	3,250	
18 Huddersfield Town	Away	2-3	3,375	Oates, Keeley
25 SHEFFIELD W. (FAC1)	Home	1-1	8,697	Pilling
28 Sheffield Wed. (Replay)	Away	0-1	9,760	

DECEMBER.

9 Torquay United	Away	1-0	2,794	Kilmore (en).
16 HEREFORD UNITED	Home	4-2	1,683	Kilmore 2, Pilling, Earl
23 Darlington	Away	2-2	1,550	Kilmore 2
26 GRIMSBY TOWN	Home	2-1	8,008	Kilmore (Pen.), Grimes
30 ROCHDALE	Home	0-4	2,620	

FEBRUARY 1979.

3 Aldershot	Away	0-2	3,669	
26 Stockport County	Away	2-0	2,676	Kavanagh, Earl

MARCH.

3 Bradford City	Away	1-1	4,988	Pilling
10 YORK CITY	Home	2-3	2,261	Kilmore (2 pen.)
13 Barnsley	Away	1-4	9,308	Grimes
16 Reading	Away	1-0	5,144	Keeley
20 NORTHAMPTON	Home	0-3	1,763	
24 AFC Bournemouth	Away	0-0	3,028	
27 PORT VALE	Home	2-0	1,472	Grimes, Earl
31 CREWE ALEXANDRA	Home	0-1	1,868	

APRIL.

3 PORTSMOUTH	Home	2-2	1,535	Couch, Bloomer
7 Hereford United	Away	1-3	2,859	Kilmore (pen.)
10 DARLINGTON	Home	1-0	1,372	Craig (o.g.)
14 Grimsby Town	Away	1-1	10,197	Kavanagh
16 HALIFAX TOWN	Home	1-0	1,624	Earl
18 Newport County	Away	0-2	2,572	
21 Rochdale	Away	0-1	1,224	
24 HARTLEPOOL UNITED	Home	3-1	1,226	Oates; Earl 2.
28 TORQUAY UNITED	Home			

MAY.

1 WIGAN ATHLETIC	Home			
5 Crewe Alex	Away			
8 WIMBLEDON	Home			
18 Halifax Town	Away			

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1. With which club did West Hams recent £500,000 goalkeeper Phil Parkes start his Football League career ?
2. Four years ago Nottingham Forest defender Frank Clarke was given a free transfer by which present 2nd division outfit ?
3. Who are the four present British International managers ?
4. Who scored the five goals in this seasons Football League Cup Final ?
5. On which two grounds were this seasons FA Cup semi-finals played ?
6. Which three British referees officiated in the 1978 Wembley Cup Finals ?
7. Leeds United's Tony Currie started his Football League career with which club ?
8. Who are the four sides Liverpool beat to win last seasons European Cup ?
9. In what position did United finish last season ?
10. Two of United's squad this season have played more than 200 league games for The Iron, who are they ?

1. Watford
2. Newcastle United
3. Ron Greenwood (England) Jack Stein (Scotland) Danny Blanchflower (Ireland) Mike Smith (Wales)
4. Birkenhead and Woodcock for Forest and Peach and Holmes for Southampton
5. Maine Road (Liverpool v Manchester United) and Villa Park (Arsenal v Wolverhampton Wanderers)
6. Pat Partidge (England) John Gordon (Scotland) and Clive Thomas (Wales)
7. Watford
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9. FC Bruges
10. Steve Deere and Nolan Keeley

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OATES	4	GORE
DEERE	5	DAVIES
HALL	6	HINNIGAN
GRIMES	7	CORRIGAN
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Scorers :

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